# **SOMB Meeting Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Sex Offender Management Board was called to order on September 16, 2010, Illinois Department of Corrections, via videoconferencing, in Chicago and Springfield, Illinois. Chairperson Cara Smith was unable to attend. Board member Verlin Meinz called the meeting to order.

#### Present:

Chicago –Harry C. Reed, Steve Goytia, Amy Campanelli, Craig Adams, Robin McGinnis, Verlin Meinz and Alesia Crockett

Springfield – Alyssa Schafer, Sheryl Essenburg, Jerry Isikoff, Michael Bednarz, Abdi Tinwalla, Tracie Newton, Tonia Maloney and Carol Corgan

#### Absent:

Excused: Cara Smith, Jack Cutrone, Mickie Owens, Dick Winkler, and Pattie Sudendorf

Unexcused: Shauna Boliker, Pat Delfino, B. Kent Jones

#### A. Welcome/Roll Call

## B. UIS Training Update – November 8-10, 2010

University of Illinois at Springfield (UIS) representatives, Dave Gruenenfelder and Tom Ambrose, were unable to attend the meeting. Dave emailed the conference registration form and speaker bios for distribution to Board members.

#### C. SOMB Training Update – September 29-30, 2011

Alesia Crockett reported there are approximately 100 attendees registered for the training. Cheri Miller was unable to provide CEUs through BroMenn Hospital as previously promised. Alesia requested assistance from UIS for sponsorship of the CEUs.

There was discussion among the group regarding increasing attendance of the Non-Licensed Juvenile Providers. Alesia stated she mailed the 24 Non-Licensed Juvenile Providers Agreement to all identified providers. The agreement states, they must attend the mandatory training in Bloomington, September 29-30, 2010 and complete three online NEARI workshops by June 30, 2011. Thirteen of the agreements were signed and returned. Jerry Isikoff and Robin McGinnis agreed to call remaining eleven providers and encourage them to attend the training.

Alesia stated that any Board member planning to attend the training will be reimbursed for their hotel cost and per diem. As of the end of August, there was \$44,875.12 available in the program account and \$25,269.71 in the operational cost account.

#### **D. SOMB Taskforce Report**

#### Goals and Objectives

The SOMB Taskforce members, Jerry Isikoff, Alyssa Schafer, Robin McGinnis, Amy Campanelli and Mike Bednarz, met to discuss the goals and objectives of the Board. Alyssa provided an overview of the chart developed outlining those goals and objectives along with the Taskforce's recommendations. The chart was distributed to Board members via email prior to the meeting. The Board members present made several comments and recommendations. The Taskforce will make the appropriate changes and present a revised chart at the next meeting.

Jerry stated the Taskforce had questions regarding the report required by the General Assembly and is the Board in compliance. If we have the report, they would like to have a copy. As for the SOMB fund they would like to know what agencies contribute to the fund. Alesia stated she will look into these two requests and report on her findings at the next meeting.

The chart outlines Committees the Board needs to consider to assist with the Board's duties. The committees are: 1) Standards and Guidelines Research Committee, (2) Quality Assurance of Providers and Ethic& Conflict of Interest Committee, (3) Funding Committee, (4) Appointment Committee, and (5) Legislative Committee. Committees can be open to non-board members.

#### **Board Structure**

- Membership: Currently there are four Governor-appointed vacancies on the Board. Two for judiciary and two for law enforcement. Sheryl Essenburg expressed that if she was not reappointed by the next meeting, the September 16, 2010 would be the last meeting she will be able to attend. The two Attorney General vacancies, one for treatment provider and state's attorney, have been filled. Dr. Abdi Tinwalla, Illinois Treatment and Detention Facility, was appointed to replace Jeffrey Brown, Brown Counseling and Pattie Sudendorf, Cook County State's Attorney Office, has replaced Ron Matekaitis, DeKalb County State's Attorney
- Organization Structure: The Board members discussed having a Vice Chairperson to lead the meeting in Cara Smith's absence. Alesia stated if anyone is interested in becoming Vice Chair they should email Cara.

## E. New Business

Alesia Crockett informed the Board of her status as the Freedom of Information Act officer for the Board.

### F. Next Meeting: November 18, 2010 – Illinois State Police-Pontiac

### G. Adjournment